Rewas/Mandwa Combined Cycle Gas Turbine 820 MW project, since the availability of gas has not been confirmed by the Department of Petroleum;

(b) if so, the quantity of gas required per day at the ultimate stage and other stages of the project;

(c) the quantity of gas available from different sources;

(d) whether the Government of Maharashtra has proposed scaling down the project, if so, the details of the revised project; and

(e) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) In May, 1990 Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB) had submitted to the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) a feasibility report for installation of Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) project at Rewas/ Mandwa in two stages comprising 2×130 MW GT+1×150 MW WHR under Stage-I and 2×130 MW GT+1×150 MW WHR under Stage-II. The site for this project was identified by MSEB near Rewas village (District Raigad). As there was no possibility of supply of gas from Bombay High/South Bassein for the proposed project, the proposal was not pursued further by CEA under advice to MSEB.

(b) and (c) The feasibility report envisaged use of 2.0 MCMD of gas for the proposed project. Against a linkage of 4.5 MCMD of gas for the Urban CCGT, supply of 3.5 MCMD of gas is envisaged for the present.

(d) and (e) The project proposal could be revived by the MSEB only after availability of gas for the proposed project is ensured.

Agreement for Promoting Capital Investment

2258. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of investing countries with which India has entered into agreements for promoting investment confidence and larger capital flow;

(b) capital investment made by those countries so far in pursuance of these agreements; and

(c) further capital investment expected during the remaining period of the current Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. DEBI PROSAD PAL): (a) Bilateral Investment Promotion and Protection Agreements have been signed with Russia, U.K., Germany, Italy, Malaysia, Denmark, Netherlands, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan.

(b) and (c) Most of these Agreements are yet to be ratified and have not come into force. Thus, it is too early to assess any impact of these agreements on foreign investment inflows.

Offering of Chinese Restaurant of Kanishka Hotel to Private Parties

2259. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Tourism Development Corporation has offered the Chinese Restaurant of Kanishka Hotel to private parties;

(b) if so, what are the details of the bids invited and received;

(c) the details of the procedure followed in the leasing mechanism of ITDC restaurants and whether any

changes have been made since the licensing of Bagiya Restaurant and if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether ITDC has invited bids in respect of their any other restaurants and if so, the details thereof and the decisions taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. ITDC invited bids from private parties to lease out a Chinese Restaurant in Kanishka Hotel, New Delhi. However, no responses were received by the last date i.e. 25th Nov. 95.

(c) The existing procedure for leasing out the restaurants in ITDC hotels is as follows:—

(1) Calling of public tenders through press advertisement;

(2) Calling technical and financial bids separately;

(3) Evaluation / negotiations / recommendations by the Tender Award Committee;

(4) Seeking approval from the Competent Authority.

After the incident of Bagia Restaurant, the procedure has been reviewed. The licensee is required to deposit the security amount in advance and certify that there is no criminal record against him/her. Their associates or other close relatives connected with the business under the licence.

(d) ITDC management invited bids and received responses in respect of the following three restaurants:

(1) Mexican Cuisine Restaurant in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi

(2) South Indian Restaurant in Samrat Hotel, New Delhi

(3) South Indian, Restaurant in Hotel Janpath, New Delhi

These proposals have been presently kept in abeyance pending review of the procedure for leasing out the restaurants.

Representations for T.V. News in Nepali

2260. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations for alloting time for T.V. news in Nepali, a language included in the 8th schedule of the Constitution;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering the proposal; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Doordarshan is unable to telecast such a news bulletin from Doordarshan Kendra, Calcutta at present on account of constraints of manpower, infrastructure and resouces.

मध्य प्रदेश में कम क्षमता वाली कपड़ा मिलों का आधुनिकीकरण

2261. **श्री गोविन्दराम मिरी:** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने चालू वित्तीय वर्ष के दौरान कम क्षमता की कपड़ा मिलों के आधुनिकीकरण के संबंध में कोई प्रस्ताव भेजा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस पर कितना खर्च होने की संभावना है?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ): (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) तथा (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

निजी एयरलाइंसों द्वारा अर्जित किया गया लाभ

2262. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) निजी एयरलाइनों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं और गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इन एयरलाइंसों ने कुल कितना राजस्व अर्जित किया है;